

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph [0023] as follows:

Airflow discharged from opening 134 is also channeled ~~through~~ from cooling opening 134 towards aft angel wing 102. More specifically, air discharged from cooling opening 134 facilitates purging aft angel wing buffer cavity 110. Maintaining adequate purging of cavity 110 facilitates reducing an operating temperature and an amount of creep of aft angel wing 102. The majority of airflow through opening 134 is airflow that had been discharged from opening 132. Without cooling opening 132, opening 134 would primarily only receive secondary airflow from forward wheel space cavity 109, and as such, cavity 108 would receive a reduced purge flow. Accordingly, the combination of concave shank cooling hole 132 and convex shank cooling hole 134 provide enough cooling air to cavity 110 such that flowpath ingestion that may occur within at least some known rotor blades is facilitated to be reduced.